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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Record

General Doolittle advised the DCI on 13 July 1954 that the attached charter for his (Doolittle's) Committee had been approved by the President on that date. It is to be noted that while the Director did hold discussions with General Doolittle in broad general terms respecting the mandate for his Committee, Mr. Dulles was not present at the White House when the attached final charter was drafted and approved by the President.



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Our charter, as I understand it, is to make a comprehensive study of the covert activities of the CIA and report our findings to the President.

Special consideration should be given to the cost of operations and the results achieved. A measure of efficiency is to be found in expenditures equated against accomplishments.

While we will deal primarily with the covert activities of the CIA, we must also consider the agency as a whole; the laws under which it operates, its organization, its operations, and its budget.

In order to get some indication of the over-all adequacy of our National Intelligence Program and the manner of its implementation, we should briefly review the activities of all agencies of government charged with the collection, interpretation and dissemination of intelligence dealing with the plans, capabilities and intentions of potential enemies.

As some parts of our study may be of value to other authorized agencies, a written report should be prepared.